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# NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER The week was warmer than normal, with two unseasonably warm days in the middle, and seasonable temperatures at the close. Precipitation ranged from heavy in the southeast to none in the extreme west, and came in two storms, a rain on Friday, and snow Sunday night.

CROPS The recent snow was highly favorable for wheat, but more was needed in the south central and especially in the western areas where snow was very light. In southeastern Nebraska, the heavy rain resulted in considerable soil erosion. In this area, the frost was not out of the ground except for the top six to eight inches and as a result not much of the moisture could be absorbed, and this led to a heavy run-off and washing of the soil. In central and western areas, more of the frost was out of the ground and there was insufficient moisture to cause any loss from run-off. In Kimball County and in the lighter soils of the Valley there was some blowing of soil. Wheat in the northern portion of the Panhandle that was sown in dry ground last fall is now sprouting. Reports from southwestern Nebraska state that wheat has started to green up.

Because of the wet condition of the soil, there was not much activity on farms during the past week. Side roads were reported as being almost impassable and the recent rain and snow, together with the frost coming out of the ground, will cause roads to be impassable for some time, as well as to delay field activity. Feed lots are very muddy. With the soil saturated to the depth of the frost from heavy rain in eastern Nebraska, and with snow ranging to a foot or more, much run-off of water and soil erosion is expected.

LIVESTOCK The supply of range is getting less and the quality poorer. The hay supply generally is ample and prices seem to be a little lower. There is a good demand for corn for feeding, not only from the larger cattle feeders, but also for finishing hogs. Some hogs have been held to extra heavy weights in anticipation of a price adequate to compensate farmers for feeding high priced corn, but a considerable number of heavy hogs have been marketed. In view of the unsettled price situation, there is varied opinion on future plans for production of pork. There seems to be no evidence of any rushing of grain to market, in view of the smaller surplus and more or less impassable roads.

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## WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 1, 1948.

### Eastern Division

Grand Island	.86
Lincoln	1.90
Norfolk	.59
Omaha	1.69
Sioux City	.73

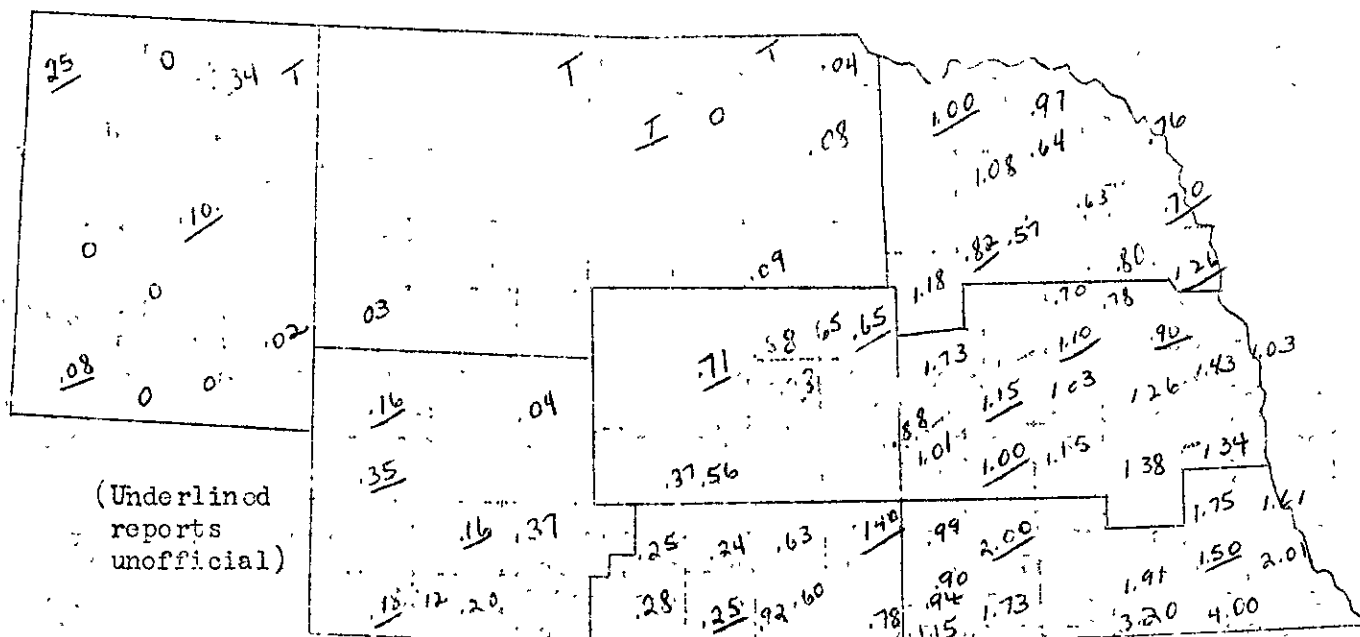
### Central Division

Burwell	.03
North Platte	.08
Valentine	.08

### Western Division

Chadron	.09
Hayes Center	0
Scottsbluff	.01
Sidney	.11

# PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 23, 1948



## HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (For 24 hours ending 6:30 a.m.)

		Feb.		24th		25th		26th		27th		28th		29th		March	
				Max		Max		Max		Max		Max		Max		Max	
				Min		Min		Min		Min		Min		Min		Min	
NW	Chadron	--	15	38	17	53	22	67	21	41	24	36	17	36	5		
	Scottsbluff	--	15	34	15	49	24	63	23	45	19	37	20	28	21		
	Sidney	--	18	37	19	55	22	63	27	50	16	40	--	26	15		
N-C	Burwell	33	20	28	--	57	22	45	34	40	--	35	--	35	21		
	Valentine	36	17	31	23	55	27	67	26	40	25	32	13	24	12		
NE	Norfolk	34	25	27	11	46	26	53	41	--	27	31	16	27	25		
	Sioux City	36	31	36	18	46	26	57	--	45	27	33	16	27	25		
Con.	Grand Island	34	25	34	16	53	27	43	37	43	32	40	21	26	23		
E-C	Lincoln	38	33	38	25	45	32	50	46	53	35	40	22	28	25		
	Omaha	39	37	37	23	46	27	53	46	60	31	56	20	30	25		
SW	Hayes Center	--	22	34	18	55	29	57	42	50	26	44	21	27	23		
	North Platte	48	22	35	24	--	25	56	43	47	28	42	21	25	15		

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